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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: SECSTATE SOUTHERN AFRICA: CBS TELEVISION
- DOCUMENTARY

1. CBS REPORTS WITH BILL MOYERS IS UNDERTAKING TWO-HOUR
TV DOCUMENTARY ON SOUTHERN AFRICA. PRODUCERS GEORGE CRILE
AND JUDY CRICHTON AND TV CREW CURRENTLY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA
AS INDICATED IN SCHEDULE, PARA 5. MOYERS WILL JOIN
GROUP ON APRIL 23 AT GABORONE.

2. AFTER 3 MONTHS OF EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH SOUTH
AFRICANS, CBS WAS DENIED VISA TO SOUTH AFRICA UNLESS CBS
GAVE PRIOR COMMITMENT TO GIVE SOUTH AFRICA "RIGHT OF
REPLY." CBS DECLINED FOR OBVIOUS REASONS AND
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THEREFORE CREW WILL SUBSTITUTE LIBRARY FOOTAGE FOR VISIT
TO SOUTH AFRICA OR WORK FROM SURROUNDING COUNTRIES.

3. CRICHTON AND CRILE HAVE ASKED US TO INFORM ALAN
PATON (WHO CRICHTON MET IN NEW YORK LAST YEAR) AND CHIEF
BUTHELEZI OF THEIR STRONG DESIRE TO INTERVIEW THEM BUT
OF THE DIFFICULTY PRESENTED BY THE SOUTH AFRICA VISA

DENIAL. THEY HAVE WRITTEN LETTERS (POUCHED) TO EACH INQUIRING ABOUT INTERVIEWS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. IF AGREEABLE, THEY WOULD LIKE PATON AND/OR BUTHELEZI TO MEET THEM, NOT NECESSARILY TOGETHER, AND AT CBS EXPENSE, AT ONE OF FOLLOWING TIMES:

- LUSAKA APRIL 5-11
- LESOTHO APRIL 11-16
- GABORONE APRIL 22-26
- LUSAKA APRIL 26-MAY 3

4. CBS REPORTS IS, OF COURSE, A FIRST-RATE PROGRAM. AMBASSADOR MCHENRY HAS HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH THE PRODUCERS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS AND IS IMPRESSED WITH THE THOROUGHNESS OF THEIR APPROACH AND THEIR OBJECTIVITY. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE IN THE INTEREST OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC TO FACILITATE, WHERE POSSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE, THE WORK OF THIS UNDERTAKING.

5. FOLLOWING IS CRILE/CRICHTON/MOYERS SCHEDULE:

- CRILE LONDON-BROWN'S HOTEL MARCH 21-23
- CRICHTON LONDON-BROWN'S HOTEL MARCH 22-23
- CRILE/CRICHTON LUSAKA MARCH 24-30

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- CRILE/CRICHTON GABORONE MARCH 30-APRIL 5
- CRILE/CRICHTON/CAMERA CREW LESOTHO OR
- MOZAMBIQUE
- APRIL 12-16
- CRILE/CRICHTON/CREW NAIROBI APRIL 19-21
- CRILE/CRICHTON/CREW GABORONE APRIL 22-26
- BILL MOYERS/GARRY GABORONE APRIL 23-26
- ENTIRE GROUP LUSAKA APRIL 26-MAY 3
- ENTIRE GROUP DAR ES SALAAM MAY 3-5

6. FOR MAPUTO: WHEN CRILE AND CRICHTON DEPARTED NEW YORK THEY HAD NOT HEARD FROM MOZAMBIQUE GOVERNMENT RE VISA FOR MAPUTO. IF APPROPRIATE YOU MIGHT INQUIRE AND INFORM APPROPRIATE EMBASSY.

7. FOR DURBAN: WE ARE SENDING LETTERS VIA

AIR POUCH, HOWEVER, RELEVANT INFO IS CONTAINED IN PARA 3
ABOVE. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT INQUIRY WITH PATON
AND BUTHELEZI. LEONARD

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